OLR Bill Analysis SB 432

AN ACT PROVIDING NOTICE TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF A MUNICIPALITY UPON THE RELEASE OF A REGISTERED SEXUAL OFFENDER INTO SUCH MUNICIPALITY.

SUMMARY:

This bill requires notice to a municipal chief executive officer (CEO) when someone required to register as a sex offender is being released into the community and the registrant resides or plans to reside in the CEO's municipality. The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection (DESPP) must email this notice and provide the CEO with the same registry information that DESPP will post publicly on the Internet about the registrant.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2014

BACKGROUND

Sex Offender Notices

When it receives registry information, DESPP must enter it in the sex offender registry and notify the local police department or state police troop with jurisdiction where the registrant resides or plans to reside. If the registrant informed DESPP of his or her employment at or status as a student at a trade, professional, or higher education institution, DESPP must notify the law enforcement agency with jurisdiction over the institution.

When a registrant is released into the community, DESPP must email the superintendent of the school district where the registrant resides or plans to reside and provide the same information DESPP will post publicly on the Internet about the registrant.

A state agency, the Judicial Branch, a State Police troop, or a local police department can notify any government agency, private organization, or individual of registration information when notice is believed necessary to protect the public or an individual from a registrant (CGS §§ 54-257 and -258).

COMMITTEE ACTION

Judiciary Committee